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Secretary

Federal Communications Commission

445 Twelfth St., S.W.

Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: Notice of *Ex Parte* Presentation:**

**Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service,**

**CC Docket No. 96-45**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On December 11, 2006, Steve Mowery, Gene DeJordy, and Meradith Melvin, all with Alltel Communications, met with Billy Jack Gregg, Director, West Virginia Consumer Advocate Division, and Member of the Federal-State Universal Service Joint Board, to discuss universal service reform proposals pending before the Joint Board.

At this meeting, the matters discussed were: the universal service funding reform proposals, including auctions; wireless carriers' use of universal service support furthers the goals of universal service in rural areas; the higher costs wireless carriers incur to serve rural areas; and a funding mechanism based upon an efficient carrier's cost of service, portability of support, and accountability. There were no written materials distributed.

Respectfully submitted,

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